

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 05725.0656-00000

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Véronique FERRARI (AS AMENDED)	Group Art Unit: 1615
Application No.: 09/618,066	) Examiner: J. Venkat
Filed: July 17, 2000	) Notice of Allowance Dated: July 1, ) 2004
For: COMPOSITIONS STRUCTURED () WITH AT LEAST ONE POLYMER () AND METHODS OF USING THE	) ) Confirmation No.: 8522 )
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

# **EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION**

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance dated July 1, 2004. While Applicant has received all of the Forms PTO 1449 submitted, Applicant notes that several citations on the Form PTO 1449 filed May 18, 2004, including copending applications, were struck through and not initialed by the Examiner. Those documents were properly cited according to M.P.E.P. § 609, and accordingly should have been considered.

More specifically, regarding the copending applications, Applicant's representative telephoned the Examiner on September 29, 2004. From that conversation, Applicant's representative understood that the Examiner had considered all of the copending application information cited in the Form PTO 1449 filed on May 18,

2004, but that she had crossed through the citations to avoid printing of the copending application information on the face of the granted patent.

With regard to the foreign language documents cited, Applicant has provided either English-language counterparts, Search Reports, or English-language Abstracts, and the undersigned is not aware of any more relevant information in any of the foreign language documents, all of which were properly cited under M.P.E.P. § 609.

In an October 15, 2002 filing, Applicant brought to the previous Examiner's (Examiner Sheikh) attention that certain documents cited on the Form PTO 1449 filed on April 22, 2002 were struck through or not initialed by Examiner Sheikh. Applicant also filed an additional Form PTO 1449 on October 18, 2002. (See Exhibit A, Applicant's October filings). Examiner Sheikh then returned a duplicate copy of the April 22, 2002 Form PTO 1449, as well as the October 18, 2002 Form PTO 1449, on which the cited documents in question were initialed and crossed out. Applicant was therefore unsure whether the cited documents had been considered. In the accompanying Office Action, however, Examiner Sheikh explicitly indicated that the copending applications cited on April 22, 2002, had been considered, thus resolving the ambiguity; however, no explicit mention was made of the documents cited on October 18, 2002, leaving Applicant confused as to whether those documents had been considered. (See Exhibit B, Examiner Sheikh's Office Action and returned October and April Forms PTO 1449).

On June 23, 2003, Applicant resubmitted the documents cited on October 18, 2002, along with a new Form PTO 1449 (see Exhibit C, Applicant's June Response), at which point Examiner Sheikh returned the Form PTO 1449 with a notation that the

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documents had been "considered, not cited." On the form, however, that notation only appeared at the beginning of each category and did not appear next to each document. (See Exhibit D, Examiner Sheikh's returned June Form PTO 1449). Although it thus appeared that the October 18, 2002, documents had been considered, Applicant, to avoid any misunderstanding, requested that the Examiner clarify the record and provide an explicit statement if she had not considered the documents. Since all copending applications have been properly cited on the Forms PTO 1449 and the Examiner (now Examiner Venkat) has provided no indication that the documents were not considered, Applicant understands that all of the documents, including the copending applications, have been considered by the Office.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Communication and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

By:\_

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: October 1, 2004

Michelle E. O'Brien Reg. No. 46,203

Attachments: Exhibit A - Applicant's October filings

Exhibit B - Examiner Sheikh's Office Action and returned

October and April Forms PTO 1449

Exhibit C - Applicant's June Response

Exhibit D - Examiner Sheikh's returned June Form PTO

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For:	COMPOSTIONS IN RIGID FORM STRUCTURED WITH A POLYMER	, ) )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

# **REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in light of the following remarks.

## **REMARKS**

# I. Status of Claims

Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113, and 118-161 are pending in this application. No amendments have been made in this response. Applicants acknowledge and thank the Examiner for the telephone conference between her and Jill MacAlpine on August 15, 2002, wherein the Examiner clarified that it was her intention to make a single rejection, a nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection, in the present Office Action.

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# II. Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants filed PTO Form 1449 on April 22, 2002. On this form, in the category of "Other Documents," Applicants disclosed co-pending U.S. applications. On the copy of the Form 1449 returned to Applicants with the instant Office Action, the Examiner drew lines through the co-pending application citations. However, Form 1449 instructs the Examiner to cross out citations only if the citations were not in conformance and not considered.

Applicants wish to point out that citations to co-pending applications are allowed and that Applicants followed the requirements of listing the co-pending applications.

See 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609. Clarification and indication that these co-pending applications were considered is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this matter, she is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 408-4307.

# III. Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113, and 118-161 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as unpatentable over claims 1-183 of co-pending Application No. 09/685,577.

Although Applicants disagree with all of these rejections, in order to expedite prosecution of this application, Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to render the rejection moot and put this application in condition for allowance.

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection and the timely allowance of pending claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113, and 118-161.

## IV. Conclusion

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and the accompanying Terminal Disclaimer and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

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Sir:

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Office the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a final Office Action, Quayle Action, or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by § 1.17(p).

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Office consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicants submit the following remarks:

- 1. <u>WO 00/27350</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Abstract on the front page of this document.
- 2. <u>WO 01/52799</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Abstract on the front page of this document.
- 3. <u>EP 0 925 780 A1</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
- 4. <u>EP 0 820 764 A1</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
- 5. **EP 0 923 928 A1** An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
- 6. FR 2 811 552 A1 An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
- 7. FR 2 816 506 An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Office applies any of the listed documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: October 18, 2002

By: Michelle E. O'Brien

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Examiner Initial*	Document Number	Issue Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date If Appropriate
	2,450,940	12 Oct. 1948	Cowan et al.			
	3,819,342	25 Jun. 1974	Gunderman et al.			
	4,699,779	13 Oct. 1987	Palinczar			
	5,538,718	23 Jul. 1996	Aul et al.			
	5,683,817	4 Nov. 1997	Kenmochi			
	5,750,489	12 May 1998	Garcia et al.			
	5,882,363	16 Mar. 1999	Spaulding et al.			
	6,197,100	6 Mar. 2001	Melbouchi			
	6,348,563	19 Feb. 2002	Fukada et al.			
	6,423,324	23 Jul. 2002	Murphy et al.			

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	EP 0 623 670 A2	9 Nov. 1994	Europe			English
	EP 0 708 114 A1	24 Apr. 1996	Europe			English
	EP 0 820 764 A1	28 Jan. 1998	Europe			Abstract
	EP 0 923 928 A1	23 Jun. 1999	Europe			Abstract
	EP 0 925 780 A1	30 Jun. 1999	Europe			Abstract
	WO 87/03783	2 Jul. 1987	PCT			English
	WO 93/21763	11 Nov. 1993	PCT			English
	WO 00/27350	18 May 2000	PCT			Abstract
	WO 00/61080	19 Oct. 2000	PCT			English
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 WO 01/52799	26 Jul. 2001	PCT			Abstract
WO 02/47620	20 Jun. 2002	РСТ			English
 WO 02/47658	20 Jun. 2002	РСТ			English
WO 02/49601	27 Jun. 2002	PCT			English
FR 2 816 506	17 May 2002	France			Abstract
 FR 2 811 552 A1	18 Jan. 2002	France			Abstract

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	English language DERWENT abstract of EP 0 820 764 A1.
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	Milan Jokić et al., A Novel Type of Small Organic Gelators: Bis(Amino Acid) Oxalyl Amides, 1995 J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1723.
	Kenji Hanabusa et al., <i>Prominent Gelation and Chiral Aggregation of Alkylamides Derived from <u>trans</u>-1,2-Diaminocyclohexane</i> , Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl. 1996, 35, No. 17, 1949-1951.
	Toshimi Shimizu et al., Stereochemical Effect of Even-Odd Connecting Links on Supramolecular Assemblies Made of 1-Glucosamide Bolaamphiphiles, J. Am Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 2812-2818.
	Kenji Hanabusa et al., Terephthaloyl Derivatives as New Gelators; Excellent Gelation Ability and Remarkable Increase of Gel Strength by Adding Polymers, 1999 Chemistry Letters 767.
	Xuzhong Luo et al., Self-assembled organogels formed by monoalkyl derivatives of oxamide, 2000 Chem. Commun. 2091-92.
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	Co-Pending Application No. 09/749,036; Attomey Docket No. 5725.0832-00 Title: COMPOSITION COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE HETERO POLYMER AND AT LEAST ONE PASTY FATTY SUBSTANCE AND METHODS FOR USE Inventors: Véronique FERRARI et al. U.S., Filing Date: December 28, 2000

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	PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47499; Attorney Do Title: COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING SURFACTANTS AND METHODS OF USING SAM Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001	HETEROPOLYMERS AND OIL-SOLUBLE CATIONIC	
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	PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47497; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0808-0304 Title: COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING HETEROPOLYMERS AND OIL-SOLUBLE ESTERS AND METHODS OF USING SAME Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001		
	PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47496; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0809-0304 Title: COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING HETEROPOLYMERS AND METHODS OF USING SAME Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001		
	PCT Application No. PCT/FR01/03962; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0816-01-0304 Title: WAX-FREE COSMETIC COMPOSITION STRUCTURED IN RIGID FORM WITH A POLYMER Inventors: Véronique FERRARI et al. International Filing Date: December 12, 2001		
	PCT Application No. PCT/FR01/03963; Attorney D Title: WAX-FREE COSMETIC COMPOSITION STI Inventor: Véronique FERRARI International Filing Date: December 12, 2001	ocket No. 5725.0817-01-0304 RUCTURED IN RIGID FORM WITH A POLYMER	
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	International Search Report in PCT/US 01/47454 (	Atty. Docket No. 5725.0806-0304), dated Aug. 29, 2002	
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	International Search Report in PCT/US 01/47499 (Atty. Docket No. 5725.0595-0304), dated Aug. 8, 2002
	Partial International Search Report in PCT/US 01/47497 (Atty. Docket No. 5725.0808-0304), dated Aug. 30, 2002
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**DETAILED ACTION** 

Status of the Application

Acknowledgement is made of the receipt of the Request for Reconsideration filed

10/15/02, the IDS filed 10/18/02, the Terminal Disclaimer filed 10/15/02, the

Supplemental Response and Amendment filed 11/14/02 and the Second Supplemental

IDS filed 11/14/02.

The IDS filed 04/22/02, containing co-pending applications (pages 3-4), which

were previously not considered or initialed, have now been considered and initialed by

the examiner.

Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113 and 118-166 are pending. Claim 15 has been

amended to correct any possible 35 USC 112, second paragraph issues, as requested

by the examiner. Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113 and 118-166 are allowed.

The Restriction requirement filed 09/21/01 has been withdrawn, since the generic

claims were held to be allowable.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113 and 118-166 are allowed.

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The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The present invention is drawn to a structured composition comprising: at least one dyestuff and at least one continuous liquid fatty phase, wherein the liquid fatty phase is structured with at least one structuring polymer, which comprises a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units of at least one non-pendant hetero atom and at least one fatty chain, wherein said fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains; wherein the structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid and wherein the dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres, and wherein the said dyestuff, continuous liquid fatty phase and structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium.

The prior art fails to teach the combination of a structured polymer comprising at least one dyestuff and a liquid fatty phase wherein the liquid fatty phase is structured with a structuring polymer comprising a polymeric skeleton with repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom, wherein the structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Note: In the PTO Form 1449, the examiner has considered the following copending applications:

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# Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Humera Sheikh whose telephone number is (703) 308-4429. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:00A.M. to 4:30P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thurman Page, can be reached on (703) 308-2927. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 308-4556.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1235.

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MS	3,086,914	23 Apr. 1963	Soloway	167	85	
	3,148,125	08 Sep. 1964	Strianse et al.	167	85	
	3,645,705	29 Feb. 1972	Miller et al.	44	7.5	
	4,275,055	23 Jun. 1981	Nachtigal et al.	424	70	
	4,387,090	07 Jun. 1983	Bolich, Jr.	424	70	
	4,552,693	12 Nov. 1985	Hussain et al.	252	522	
	4,806,338	21 Feb. 1989	Smith	424	47	
	4,806,345	21 Feb 1989	Bhattacharya	424	70	
	4,871,536	03 Oct. 1989	Arraudeau et al.	424	59	
	5,069,897	03 Dec. 1991	Orr	424	66	
	5,186,318	16 Feb. 1993	Oestreich et al.	206	37	
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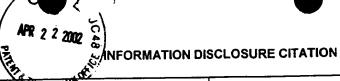


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## SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Further to the Notices of Allowance and Allowability dated March 21, 2003,

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following amendments and remarks. This paper satistifies the requirement for a "Submission" to accompany the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 filed herewith.

Please amend the application as follows.

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IN THE CLAIMS

1300 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 202.408.4000 Fax 202.408.4400 www.finnegan.com Please amend claims 90, 163, and 165, and add new claim 167 as follows:

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90. (Amended) A dermatological composition for at least one keratin material, a care composition for at least one keratin material, a make-up composition, a body hygiene composition, a sunscreen composition for at least one keratin material, or an after-sun composition for at least one keratin material comprising a composition comprising:

- (a) at least one dyestuff; and
- (b) at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising:
- (i) at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000 and comprises:
- a) a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising at least one nonpendant hetero atom; and
- b) at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres; and wherein said composition is in the form of a structured, wax-free solid.

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- 163. (Amended) A structured composition comprising:
- (a) at least one dyestuff; and
- (b) at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising:

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(i) at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000 and comprises:

a) a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising
 at least one non-pendant hetero atom; and

b) at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising
 from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty
 chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprises greater than 40% by weight of the total weight of said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase of at least one apolar liquid oil;

wherein said structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid;

wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres; and

wherein said at least one dyestuff, said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase

and said at least one structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium.

165. (Amended) A structured composition comprising:

- (a) at least one dyestuff; and
- (b) at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising:

(i) at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000 and comprises:

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a) a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom; and

b) at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said structuring polymer is chosen from polymers resulting from at least one polycondensation reaction between at least one dicarboxylic acid and at least one diamine:

wherein said structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid;
wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres; and
wherein said at least one dyestuff, said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase
and said at least one structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium.

- --167. (New) A structured composition comprising:
- (a) at least one dyestuff; and
- (b) at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000;

wherein said at least one structuring polymer is chosen from polymers of formula

(I) below and mixtures thereof:

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in which:

- n is an integer which represents the number of amide units such that the number of ester groups present in said at least one structuring polymer ranges from 10% to 50% of the total number of all said ester groups and all said amide groups comprised in said at least one structuring polymer;
- R<sup>1</sup>, which are identical or different, are each chosen from alkyl groups comprising at least 4 carbon atoms and alkenyl groups comprising at least 4 carbon atoms;
- $R^2$ , which are identical or different, are each chosen from  $C_4$  to  $C_{42}$  hydrocarbon-based groups with the proviso that at least 50% of  $R^2$  are chosen from  $C_{30}$  to  $C_{42}$  hydrocarbon-based groups;
- R<sup>3</sup>, which are identical or different, are each chosen from organic groups comprising atoms chosen from carbon atoms, hydrogen atoms, oxygen atoms and nitrogen atoms with the proviso that R<sup>3</sup> comprises at least 2 carbon atoms; and
- $R^4$ , which are identical or different, are each chosen from hydrogen atoms,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl groups and a direct bond to group chosen from  $R^3$  and another  $R^4$  such that when said at least one group is chosen from another  $R^4$ , the nitrogen atom to which both  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are bonded forms part of a heterocyclic structure defined in part by  $R^4$  N- $R^3$ , with the proviso that at least 50% of all  $R^4$  are chosen from hydrogen atoms;

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wherein said structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid; wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres; and wherein said at least one dyestuff, said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase and said at least one structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium .--

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the attached Appendix shows the changes that have been made by the proposed amendments.

## REMARKS

### Status of the Claims I.

Claims 1-45, 47-67, 69-113 and 118-167 are pending in this application. Claims 90, 163, and 165 have been amended to recite that the at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres. Support for this amendment can be found throughout the specification and claims as filed. See e.g., page 22, lines 18-19, and page 23, lines 4-8. Claim 167 has been added. Support for this claim can be found throughout the specification and claims as filed. See e.g., claims 1 and 32. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

### Information Disclosure Statement filed October 18, 2002 H.

On the PTO Form 1449 filed with an Information Disclosure Statement on October 18, 2002, the following co-pending and related PCT applications were cited:

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Co-Pending Application No. 09/749,036; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0832-00

Title: COMPOSITION COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE HETERO POLYMER AND AT LEAST ONE PASTY FATTY

SUBSTANCE AND METHODS FOR USE

Inventors: Véronique FERRARI et al.

U.S. Filing Date: December 28, 2000



PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47459; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0594-0304

Title: COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING AT LEAST ONE HETEROPOLYMER AND AT LEAST ONE FILM-

FORMING SILICONE RESIN AND METHODS OF USING

Inventors: Mohamed KANJI et al. U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001

PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47499; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0595-0304

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Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001

PCT Application No. PCT/FR01/03965; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0795-01-304

Title COSMETIC COMPOSITION COMPRISING HETERO POLYMERS AND A SOLID SUBSTANCE AND METHOD

OF USING SAME

Inventors: Roberto CAVAZZUTI et al.

International Filing Date: December 12, 2001

PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47454; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0806-0304

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**USING SAME** 

Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU

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PCT Application No. PCT/US01/47497; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0808-0304

Title: COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING HETEROPOLYMERS AND OIL-SOLUBLE ESTERS AND METHODS OF

**USING SAME** 

Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU

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Inventors: Carlos PINZON and Paul THAU

U.S. Filing Date: December 12, 2001

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METHODS FOR USE

Inventors: Véronique FERRARI et al.

International Filing Date: December 12, 2001

PCT Application No. PCT/FR01/03963; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0817-01-0304

Title: COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING AT LEAST ONE HETEROPOLYMER AND AT LEAST ONE

GELLING AGENT AND METHODS OF USING THE SAME

Inventor: Véronique FERRARI

International Filing Date: December 12, 2001

Co-Pending Application No. 10/129,377; Attorney Docket No. 5725.0819-01

Title: COMPOSITION STRUCTURED WITH A POLYMER CONTAINING A HETEROATOM AND ORGANOGELATOR

U.S. Filing Date: May 3, 2002

Although the Examiner returned the PTO Form 1449 with the Notice of Allowance dated

November 19, 2002, and initialed beside each of the above-listed applications, thus

indicating that she had considered these documents, she also drew a line through each

of the citations. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner confirm

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that each of the above documents was considered by her. For the Examiner's convenience, a duplicate copy of each of the above-listed applications is enclosed herewith, and each is listed on the PTO Form 1449 also submitted herewith.

Comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance III.

At page 2 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner made a representation concerning the scope of the present invention. This representation appears to be based on independent claim 1. Applicants note, however, that the present application contains 167 claims, each having a different scope.

With respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,242,509 B1 to Berger et al. ("Berger"), the Examiner asserts that Berger "fails to teach the combination of a structured polymer comprising at least one dyestuff and a liquid fatty phase wherein the liquid fatty phase is structured with a structuring polymer comprising a polymeric skeleton with repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom, wherein the structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid."

Applicants note that Berger is drawn to gels comprising an ester-terminated dimer acid-based polyamide and a solvent. See Abstract. However, Berger fails to teach or suggest, inter alia, compositions comprising a dyestuff chosen from pigments and nacres. For example, neither D&C-type dyes nor Pylakrome™-type dyes fall within the scope of a dyestuff chosen from pigments and nacres. Similarly, Berger fails to teach or suggest the various cosmetic compositions presently claimed or compositions comprising, inter alia, at least one amphiphilic compound which is liquid at room

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temperature and having an HLB value of less than 12. Accordingly, Applicants submit that *Berger* fails to teach or suggest the subject matter of the present claims.

## IV. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 required to enter this paper and charge those additional fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-916.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **Appendix**

Version with markings to show changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii): IN THE CLAIMS:

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- a) a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising at least one nonpendant hetero atom; and
- b) at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres;

and

wherein said composition is in the form of a structured, wax-free solid.

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163. (Amended) A structured composition comprising:

- (a) at least one dyestuff; and
- (b) at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising:
- (i) at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000 and comprises:
- a) a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom; and
- b) at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising
   from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty
   chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to 98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprises greater than 40% by weight of the total weight of said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase of at least one apolar liquid oil;

wherein said structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid;

wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres; and wherein said at least one dyestuff, said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase and said at least one structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium.

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165. (Amended) A structured composition comprising:

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(a) at least one dyestuff; and

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at least one continuous liquid fatty phase comprising: (b)

(i) at least one structuring polymer which has a weight-average molecular

mass ranging from 1000 to 30,000 and comprises:

a polymeric skeleton comprising repeating units comprising a)

at least one non-pendant hetero atom; and

at least one fatty chain, optionally functionalized, comprising b)

from 12 to 120 carbon atoms, chosen from pendant fatty chains and terminal fatty

chains which are bonded to said polymeric skeleton;

wherein said at least one fatty chain is present in a quantity ranging from 40% to

98% of the total number of all said repeating units comprising at least one non-pendant

hetero atom and all said at least one fatty chains;

wherein said structuring polymer is chosen from polymers resulting from at least

one polycondensation reaction between at least one dicarboxylic acid and at least one

diamine;

wherein said structured composition is in the form of a wax-free solid;

wherein said at least one dyestuff is chosen from pigments and nacres;

and

wherein said at least one dyestuff, said at least one continuous liquid fatty phase

and said at least one structuring polymer form a physiologically acceptable medium.

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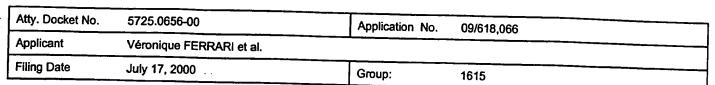
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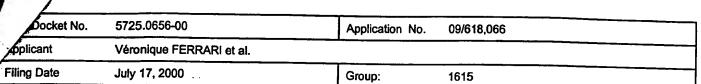




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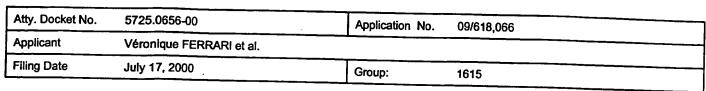
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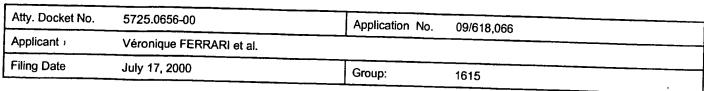


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